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SUBJECT: SUNDAY TIMES ARTICLE ON HAITI

REF: PORT AU PRINCE 2359

1. SUBJECT ARTICLE BY MOYNAHAN APPEARED IN AUGUST 21
SUNDAY TIMES MAGAZINE AND INCLUDED COVER PHOTOGRAPH OF
JEAN-CLAUDE DUVALIER, FOUR AND A HALF PAGES OF COLOR
PHOTOS AND NEARLY SIX PAGES OF TEXT. COPY OF MAGAZINE
HAS BEEN AIR POUCHED.

2. ARTICLE PURPORTS TO COVER DUVALIER'S ACTIVITIES
DURING A DAY TRIP TO THE COUNTRYSIDE AND IS INTERSPERSED
WITH HISTORICAL REFERENCES AND ENDS WITH THE
DEATH OF A TEENAGE BOY WHO WAS APPARENTLY RUN OVER BY
DUVALIER'S LANDROVER. SUNDAY TIMES SUMMARIZED THE
STORY AS FOLLOWS: "IT STARTED OFF AS JUST A DAY TRIP,
WITH BABY DOC LEADING THE PROCESSION IN A JEEP THROUGH
THE DUSTY AND HALF-STARVED COUNTRYSIDE. BY THE TIME
IT HAD FINISHED, AS BRIAN MOYNAHAN REPORTS, THE SIMPLE
OUTING BY THE WORLD'S YOUNGEST PRESIDENT HAD TURNED
INTO A DAY OF BLOODSHED UNDER THE CARIBBEAN SUN".

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3. THE ARTICLE, IN EMBASSY'S VIEW, WAS RELATIVELY
EVENHANDED AND STRAIGHTFORWARD, NOT FULFILLING THE
SENSATION PROMISED IN THE SUMMARY. WE CAN, HOWEVER,
SEE HOW GOH MIGHT FIND IT OBJECTIONABLE.

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